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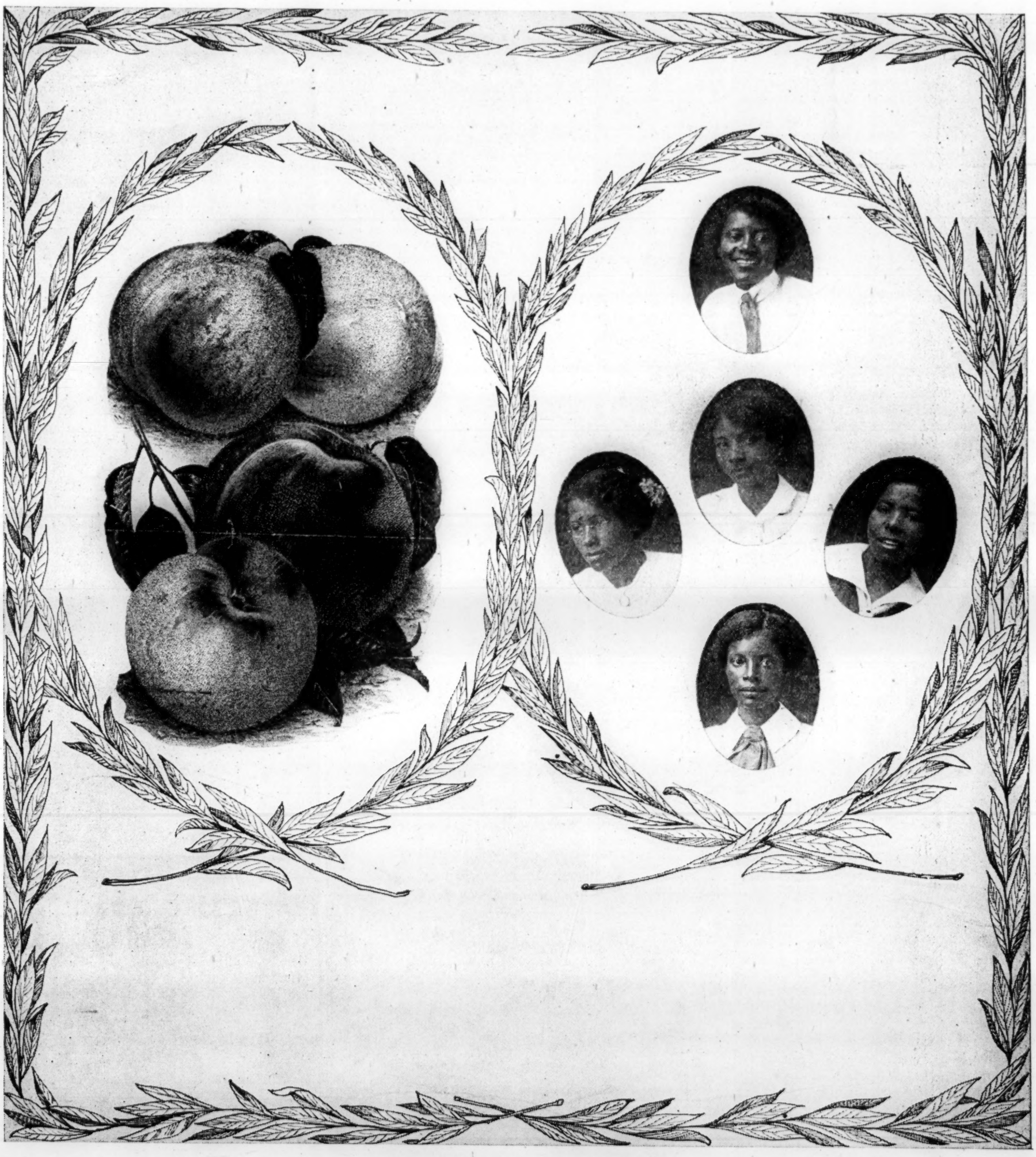

GEORGIA PEACHES

Left Group: "Belle of Georgia" Peaches. Grow in the Peach Belt of the State.
Right Group: Top—Mamie McRea, Lumber City; bottom—Ophelia Larkin, Valdosta; right—Odessa Bass, Covington; left—Mary Ross, Bluffton; center—Juanita Conyers, Savannah. (*See Page 4*)

HINTS ON PEACH GROWING

By a Georgia Peach Grower

Before the Pennsylvania State Horticultural Association there appeared Mr. J. H. Hale, a successful grower of peaches, both in the North and in Georgia, and gave some of the details of the cultivation of this fruit. Following are notes from his address:

"I have come to the conclusion that the best foundation for success lies in the man or woman who has taken up the job. * * * I believe the man or woman who grows peaches should first love the peaches for their own sake. * * *

Soil

"Almost any soil will grow a peach tree, but a light sandy loam will not grow a too vigorous tree. If I take my choice, I would have a lighter soil for the peach tree than for any other tree fruit, providing the elevation was all right. In certain stiff clay soil the Crawford varieties will thrive, but a good loamy soil is good enough. I don't want to plant in valleys or in hollows, but I want to climb up the hill and plant my trees there. Some people talk about the eastern slope and the southern slope. I don't think it makes very much difference, if you have got enough elevation above the surrounding country so there will be good air, frost, and water drainage.

Market

"The market location is a very important point. We want to be near a market if we want to sell at home. Of course, the market is all over America, but if we are growing them in a small way, our facilities for growing are lessened, because shipping by express is demoralizing; so if you are not blessed with a home market, you want to engage in it large enough to be able to ship in car lots either alone or in combinations with neighbors, and you must fit yourself in your orchard and keep yourself in touch with the local conditions that surround you. * * *

Climatic Conditions

"Another difficult question in a way, and a very serious one, is the climatic conditions, for the reason that in the northern section there is the killing of buds in a dormant condition in winter time. We can head that off to some extent by climbing the hills and planting proper varieties, and by proper cultivation. Now, south of this section there is the danger of early swelling of the buds and early blooming, and the spring frosts after the buds are open. In the north there is very little danger of the killing of the bloom and buds in blooming season. * * *

Peach Diseases

"Another difficulty in the way of growing of peach trees along the Blue Ridge and north, is the yellows, a thing we know very little about, except it is sure death when it gets in our orchards, and we have to guard against that by pulling our trees out at the first sign of the disease. Another difficulty is the monilia or brown rot, and another, the leaf curl with certain varieties, notably with the yellow ones, but since we follow spraying, it is thoroughly controlled. The borers are always with us, and may be kept out by banking the tree during the early season, while the moth is flying, and the black smut that infests our fruit, where the trees are too closely planted, and where we use too much nitrogen. Lastly, the San Jose Scale, that scared the life out of us a few years ago, but it has been a benefit in some ways, because when a man is fighting that, he is fighting a great many other things, and is weeding them out.

Cultivation

"You can't grow peaches without culture. You can't grow them successfully without thorough culture. * * Cultivate your peach orchard just as early as possible the very first thing in the spring. Let it be April and May and well into June. If you don't seed to a cover crop then let it go to weeds, but don't let it go until June or even the middle of July. I repeat, cultivate early and cut it up thoroughly and often, but late in season. Let it grow up to grass and weeds, rather than cultivate too late.

Pruning

"The pruning question is an important one along with the necessity for spraying. We must have low-headed trees. * * * In planting I cut the stems down to eight or ten inches, and build up my tree, and prune with the general object in view of having a broad low headed tree. Just how to do that each one must study it out for himself. You can't tell how to trim a peach tree any more than you can tell about hugging a girl. Just do the proper thing at the right time, the peach will show you how by her blushes. * * *

Thinning of the Fruit

"Another point about which I wish to say a word, is the necessity of thinning the tree of surplus fruit, in order, by taking off all the imperfect specimens, and more, if necessary, that we can raise a big crop of more perfect fruit. The thinning of the fruit is essential, first, in order to get a larger peach, and secondly, in order to get a better colored peach, and thirdly, to get a better flavored peach. So a tree that would naturally bear, perhaps, a thousand peaches, should be thinned down to four hundred, the four hundred will bring more pounds than the thousand, and will bring you, perhaps, double or treble the amount in money, as it is the large, high-colored, fine-flavored peaches that pay best.* * * *

Method of Pruning Trees

"As to the manner of pruning of those trees, I get a good strong one year tree, and chop it off at the top, at time of planting and plant it out and cut it back to about eight or ten or twelve inches, * * * and when it starts to grow it will start out sprouts all along the tree from the base up, and those you should rub off, except three or four or possibly five nearest the top; let those three to five grow at will until the following season, and before the growth begins, do your pruning first by cutting out one or perhaps two of these remaining stems that may be out of place, then cut off from one-half to two-thirds of the growth of those that remain, and then perhaps thin out some of the little side branches from there. They will start to grow again and each one of these will make a strong growth, and in the second year you will treat it much the same way as you did at first. The third year, instead of doing as you did the former years, if you want peaches, do a little summer pruning. Cut out the inside branches; don't cut anything outside, but from the center. Cut out so that you have an even distribution of the branches, and cut off the tops of the leading main branches. The third summer will usually throw those trees into developing a big lot of fruit buds that will bear a crop of peaches. You will likely get a good crop the fourth year."

(Report of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, 1906, p. 508.)

Mr. Hale is a peach expert and grower who knows what he is talking about; and peach growers everywhere may take these directions word for word.—Editor.

Turpentine Farming in Georgia

While the figures are not immediately available, it is well known that a large number of colored persons are engaged in turpentine farming in the State of Georgia; and it is hoped that these are keeping pace with the modern methods of turpentining that have been introduced in the pine belt.

The Old Box Method of Turpentining

According to the Americana Encyclopedia, "The method under the box system was to chop in base of tree a cup-like cavity, the sole purpose of which is to receive the resin which flows from a scarified face of the trunk above it. The box itself does not

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Georgia's Place in the Industry

Georgia, at the census of 1910, ranked second in this industry, Florida leading, producing 139,000 fifty-gallon casks of turpentine and 487,000 500-pound barrels of resin.

The State has, approximately, 17,000 square miles of the famous long leaf pine, which suggest that the industry will flourish there for some time to come. And this further suggests that all colored persons engaged in the work should fit themselves for the highest efficiency therein.

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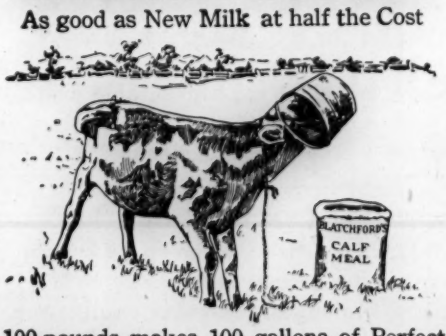

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FARMING INSTRUCTION IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA FOR COLORED FARMERS

Although Negro farmers are more than two-fifths of all the farmers in Georgia, one is rather surprised to find that the State has made so little provision for agricultural instruction for the colored farmers. This is all the more surprising in view of the emphasis that is being placed on the subject of encouraging the Negro to follow agricultural pursuits, particularly in the South; and also in view of the fact that Georgia has, according to Circular 97 of the Office of Experiment Stations, two State colleges of agriculture; eleven district agricultural high schools which receive State aid; three normal schools giving agricultural instruction; eight public and private high schools; besides one privately endowed college and two elementary schools in which farming instruction is given —all for white students. To these institutions must be added the farm demonstration work done in the State by the United States Government.

Aside from three elementary schools, Georgia provides but one school for agricultural education for Negroes—The Georgia State College. The other schools are not State institutions, if we are correctly advised. The list of secondary schools in the State giving some agricultural instruction are as follows:

Georgia State College, Savannah.
Spelman Seminary, Atlanta.
Clark University, Atlanta.
Jeruel Academy, Athens.
Fort Valley High and Industrial School, Fort Valley.
Eddy High School, Milledgeville.
Negro Normal and Industrial School, Social Circle.

The United States Department of Agriculture, according to the Negro Year Book, maintains two colored farm demonstration agents in the State to help the Negro farmers—one at Fort Valley, in Houston County, and another at Covington, in Newton County.

It is important that more agricultural instruction be given to the colored farmers of the State, if they are to meet the demands of the hour for better farmers. Georgia would find it a good investment both in economic wealth and good will to build some special schools of agriculture for Negro pupils. This will be found, in the end, the proper way to encourage Negroes to love the soil. It can not be done by curtailing the literary courses of study already being maintained in colored schools and substituting agricultural instruction therefor. But special agricultural schools would appeal to the gratitude and pride of the colored people all over the State and they would co-operate willingly with Georgia in her back-to-the-land movement; and this would be true of the colored people in any of the Southern States.

"GEORGIA PEACHES"—GIRLS ON FARM

It was not merely sentiment which caused this paper to insert the pictures of the five girls on the front page and let them share with the famous "Belle of Georgia" variety of fruit the name of "Georgia Peaches."

Those girls, with one exception—Miss McRea—are actually studying truck farming at the Tuskegee Institute; and the life in the open air is giving to their cheeks the pink which indicates good health just as the same air and sunshine help paint the beautiful red on the laughing cheeks of the "Belle of Georgia" and other varieties of peaches.

TALK TO YOUR WHITE FRIENDS ABOUT FARM SCHOOLS AND DEMONSTRATION WORK

Every Georgia colored farmer has a white friend in the State who amounts to something. This paper suggests that each one of those farmers have a kindly talk with these friends and see if they can be interested in having one A No. 1 agricultural school established for colored people—one besides the State College at Savannah. Tell them that you don't want the school at Savannah changed or crippled, but you want one out-and-out agricultural school, where your children may study farming properly if they care to.

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The value of the farm property of these colored farmers in Georgia increased 224.1 per cent in ten years, that is, from 1900 to 1910.

They are learning to use improved farming implements; for where the value of their farm implements and machinery, in 1900, was but $1,684,020, in 1910 it had climbed to $4,559,962, an increase of 277 per cent, although the number of farms of colored persons in the South Atlantic States increased but 23.2 per cent.

The value of their domestic animals, poultry and bees, increased from $7,683,694 in 1900 to $24,435,491 in 1910 or 331 per cent.

What it Costs to Begin in the Trucking Business in Georgia

Discussing the cost of beginning in the trucking industry, one report says: "It has been estimated that it takes a capital, generally speaking, of $300 an acre to start into the truck business on a large scale. This, of course, covers the cost of land, erection of buildings, as well as all stock and implements. When cost of land and buildings is eliminated, an investment of $95 has been the estimate given for Florida, about $50 for Texas, $70 for the truck regions around about Norfolk, Va., the requirement increasing as one gets nearer the large centers of consumption, such as New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Washington.

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Note.—So many kind words were said of the story which The Negro Farmer published on March 14, 1914, about the late Deal Jackson, Georgia's "First Bale" farmer, that this paper renames him as a fit person to represent the progress of Negro farmers in the "Empire State" of the South; even though the story for this week concerns a farmer of another State.

LIVING ALONE, BUT NOT LONELY

Uncle Ed. Thomas—Truck Grower

(The main facts in this sketch are taken from the Montgomery, Alabama, Advertiser. The paragraph headings and arrangement are The Negro Farmer's.)

Living on the east bank of the Alabama River, very close to the spot where one end of Commerce Street —the main business thoroughfare of Montgomery— disappears into the river, lives an old ex-slave named Edward Thomas, though people call him "Uncle Ed." He lives alone but is not lonely; for like the potters of the tribe of Judah, he dwells "among plants and hedges," talking to them and they to him.

Have Corporations Souls?—Yes, Sometimes

The railroads permit him to use the little spot which he calls home and enough land for his truck garden, and give him, in addition to this, his water and coal free. His house, so it is said, is smaller than a piano box. This may or may not be true; but his knowledge of trucking "makes up" for the smallness of his home.

"Uncle" Ed. Knows Truck Farming

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Happy in His Work

Cold weather is about the smallest worry in the life of this eccentric old Negro. Last winter it snowed and covered the cabbages and collards of the old man's crop. Then it froze, he pronounced it "frez," but that didn't bother. When the cold had passed his collards grew, his cabbage sprung from the healthy earth, other vegetables were stimulated and the crop was made. No season in the year stops Uncle Ed., for never a day passes unless he visits the markets with an armful of bright, tempting vegetables. It's his life—an Alabama life for those who wish it.

Watching the River

All is not sunny in the trucker's life, however, even if he has the prettiest garden in the city on the most dilapidated lot and in the most unheard-of place. Many a night the old Negro is seen patrolling the river banks and watching for high water. High water means his loss— it is his ticker and no stock is more important to the Wall Street broker than a collard's life to Uncle Ed. For nights and nights he has gone without sleep as he patrolled the river bank and waved his torch in hopes of a receding tide. When the water comes to a tender plant he pulls it, out of sympathy and economy. One day last week he pulled and sold $2 worth of young plants rather than see them carried with the tide Toward the Gulf. * * *"

Likes to Be Alone

Uncle Ed. is said to shun "society," that is, he likes to be alone. His reasons are best known to himself and his Maker, and they do not concern this story.

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" 'When I sticks a shovel or hoe in de ground,' says Uncle Ed., 'I seems to hear de Lord say, "I'm wid you in dis," and the plant comes right up through de ground.' He prays, thinks of his dead wife whose death made him a hermit, trusts in the Lord, sleeps outdoors in the summer and is so happy that he almost cries trying to explain it to his few visitors."

Ezekiel's Description of a Man Like Uncle Ed.

Years, years ago, God commanded the prophet Ezekiel to describe a man who had prospered; and the prophet used these words concerning the Assyrian, which seem to have been said of Uncle Ed.:

"The waters made him great, the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants * * * * *."

Verily, in his little corner in his humble place, doing his simple work, trusting, waiting, "Uncle Ed." is succeeding where many would have long since failed.

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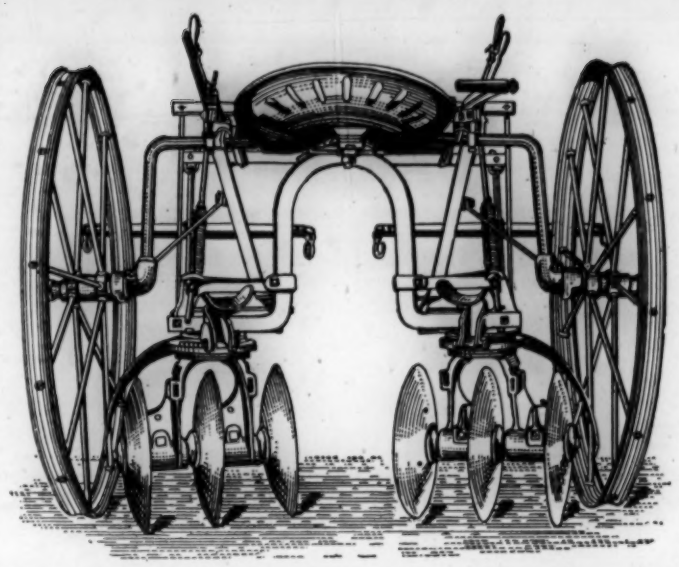

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